Manuscript Submission Guidelines:

*Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair*

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Only manuscripts of sufficient quality that meet the aims and scope of *Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair* will be reviewed.

As part of the submission process you will be required to warrant that you are submitting your original work, that you have the rights in the work, that you are submitting the work for first publication in the Journal and that it is not being considered for publication elsewhere and has not already been published elsewhere (except in abstract form), and that you have obtained and can supply all necessary permissions for the reproduction of any copyright works not owned by you.

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1. DESCRIPTION

*Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair* (NNR) offers innovative and reliable reports relevant to functional recovery from neural injury and long term neurologic care. The journal's unique focus is clinical and basic research as well as evidence-based clinical practice in the field of neurorehabilitation. NNR deals with the management and fundamental mechanisms of functional recovery from conditions such as stroke, multiple sclerosis, Alzheimer's disease, brain and spinal cord injuries, and peripheral nerve injuries. This journal is a member of the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE).

Average time from submission to first decision: 27 days

2. THEMES

*Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair* will consider manuscripts on any clinical or basic science topic that is relevant to understanding and rehabilitating the consequences of neural injury and disease. *Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair* especially promotes the translation of concepts from the basic sciences to clinical trials and the care of patients. All articles are expected to address underlying neural mechanisms as appropriate, either as a specific focus of the study, and/or in the discussion of the results. Appropriate topics include, but are not limited to:

- randomized controlled clinical trials of interventions;
- well-designed pilot studies that include control subjects of physical, cognitive, language, neuropsychologic, pharmacologic, neurostimulation, and other potential approaches to augment procedural or declarative learning and function, and to lessen impairment and disability;
- fundamental mechanisms of motor, sensory, and cognitive improvements after injury or induced by rehabilitation strategies;
- neural reorganization, synaptogenesis, neurogenesis, and regeneration associated with gene expression after injury, biological interventions, and training paradigms;
- neural transplantation with behavioral outcomes;
- neurophysiologic probes of activity-dependent plasticity during rehabilitation, such as functional magnetic resonance imaging and transcranial magnetic stimulation;
- epidemiologic and longitudinal studies of disability and rehabilitation;
- novel research designs, statistical procedures, and outcome measures for neurologic rehabilitation;
- multidisciplinary approaches to lessen disability and increase participation in persons with chronic neurologic disorders;
- bioengineered, assistive, and robotic devices for training or for managing impairment and disability.

If a manuscript is not consistent with the scientific rigor or themes of interest to the journal, the editor may return the article without peer review. The associate editors and the editor make final decisions about acceptance or rejection based on their final review. Due to excessive
demand, we do not provide pre-submission assessments of articles.

3. ARTICLE TYPES

Please read the following carefully and ensure that your submission meets the requirements to avoid automatic return or delay in the consideration of your paper.

3.1 Full-Length Original Research Articles

Full-length original research articles should have an Abstract, Introduction, Methods, Results, and Discussion. The word count of the text must not exceed 4,500. Tables and figures combined should not exceed six (6). References should not exceed 60. Additional information can be provided in supplemental materials that will be available online only. Please see below for formatting details.

3.2 Review Articles

Review articles should have an Abstract, but the organization of the body of text is flexible. The text should not exceed 4,500 words and 75 references. Summary figures are encouraged.

3.3 Point of View: Directions for Research

Point of View: Directions for Research articles offer an opportunity for clinical and basic researchers to examine controversies in the conceptualization of a particular research problem, in a methodology, or in the interpretation of past results that continue to influence the neurorehabilitation literature. Specific suggestions must be made and justified about how to better conduct research around that particular issue. The aim is to improve the ability of clinicians to interpret the literature, translate research studies into practices, and better direct future experiments. One format would be Introduction, The Problem, The Solution, and Recommendations for strategies to try to resolve the controversy. Include an abstract. The text should not exceed 5,000 words and 75 references.

3.4 Brief Communications

Brief communications and case reports should be labeled as such and must offer an important new observation and not simply review the literature. These reports must contain no more than 1,000 words, 10 references, and 2 figures or tables. They should include an abstract, but subdivision into Introduction, Methods, Results, and Discussion is optional. In rare instances, we will consider case reports for this article type, but only if the topic is extraordinarily novel.
3.5 Images in Neurorehabilitation

We will consider photographic, radiographic, or artistic images that have exceptional visual impact and have relevance to neurologic rehabilitation. These images should make up a single figure, although they may contain more than one frame. Accompanying text must be no more than 250 words.

Table 1. Overview of the requirements for manuscript submissions to NNR.

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** Please format references using AMA style [http://www.amamanualofstyle.com/](http://www.amamanualofstyle.com/)

4. EDITORIAL POLICIES

4.1. Peer Review Policy

*Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair* operates a conventional single-blind reviewing policy, in which the reviewers’ names are always concealed from the submitting author.

Papers will be sent for review by at least two, preferably three, reviewers who will either be members of the Editorial Board or others of similar standing in the field. In order to shorten the review process and respond quickly to authors, the Editors may triage a submission and come to a decision without sending the paper for external review.

The Editors’ decision is final and no correspondence can be entered into concerning manuscripts considered unsuitable for publication in *Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair*. All correspondence, including notification of the Editors’ decision and requests for revisions, will be sent by email.

4.2 Authorship

Papers should only be submitted for consideration after all contributing authors approve of its
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The list of authors should include all those who can legitimately claim authorship. This is all those who:

- made a substantial contribution to the concept and design, acquisition of data or analysis and interpretation of data
- drafted the article or revised it critically for important intellectual content
- approved the version to be published.

Authors should meet the conditions of all of the points above. Each author should have participated sufficiently in the work to take public responsibility for appropriate portions of the content. When a large, multicenter group has conducted the work, the group should identify the individuals who accept direct responsibility for the manuscript. These individuals should fully meet the criteria for authorship.

Acquisition of funding, collection of data, or general supervision of the research group alone does not constitute authorship, although all contributors who do not meet the criteria for authorship should be listed in the Acknowledgments section.

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### 4.3 Declaration of Conflicting Interests

Please include any declaration of conflicting interests at the end of your manuscript, after any acknowledgements and prior to the references, under a heading ‘Conflict of Interest Statement’. Alternatively, you may wish to state that ‘The Author(s) declare(s) that there is no conflict of interest.’

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4.4 Research Ethics

Medical research involving human subjects must be conducted according to the World Medical Association Declaration of Helsinki.

Submitted manuscripts should conform to the ICMJE Recommendations for the Conduct, Reporting, Editing, and Publication of Scholarly Work in Medical Journals, and all papers reporting animal and/or human studies must state in the methods section that the relevant Ethics Committee or Institutional Review Board provided (or waived) approval. Please ensure that you have provided the full name and institution of the review committee, in addition to the approval number.

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In relation to animal studies, all research submitted for publication must be approved by an ethics committee with oversight of the facility in which the studies were conducted.

4.5 Clinical Trials

*Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair* has adopted the proposal from the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (ICMJE) which requires, as a condition of consideration for publication of clinical trials, registration in a public trials registry. Trials must register at or before the onset of patient enrollment. The clinical trial registration number should be included at the end of the abstract of the article. **For this purpose, a clinical trial is defined as any research project that prospectively assigns human subjects to intervention or comparison groups to study the cause-and-effect relationship between a medical intervention and a health outcome.** Studies designed for other purposes, such as to study pharmacokinetics or major toxicity (e.g. phase I trials), would be exempt. Further information can be found at [www.icmje.org](http://www.icmje.org).

All randomized controlled trials submitted for publication in *Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair* must include a completed Consolidated Standards of Reporting Trials (CONSORT) flow chart. Please refer to the CONSORT statement website at [http://www.consort-statement.org](http://www.consort-statement.org) for more information.

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5. PREPARING YOUR MANUSCRIPT

5.1 General Guidelines

An important goal of Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair is to foster communication between the basic and clinical research communities whose work is relevant to recovery from neural injury. Therefore, basic science articles should include sufficient explanatory information in the Introduction and elsewhere to permit reading by clinicians, and vice versa. All abbreviations and jargon terms should be defined and kept to a minimum. Other than very common measurement tools, such as the Fugl-Meyer Assessment (F-M), do not use more than 4 abbreviations for names and phrases in the text. Most non-experts cannot hold more than 4 unfamiliar terms in mind over the course of an article.

5.2 Word Processing Formats

Preferred formats for the text and tables of your manuscript are Word DOC, RTF, XLS. LaTeX files are also accepted.

All submissions should be:

- US English
- double spaced
- 12 point Arial, Times or Times New Roman font
- 2.5 cm (1 inch) margins

Do not include line numbers or page numbers, as the system automatically adds these to the PDF generated for reviewers.

5.3 Figures, Tables or Other Images

Tables:

All tables must have a title, be self-explanatory, and supplement (not duplicate) the text. All abbreviations should be defined. Tables should be placed at the end of the file, following text and references, with callouts for each in the text. Elements in tables should be separated by tabs, not cells or lines.
**Figures:**

High-resolution figures must be uploaded as separate electronic files, with callouts for each in the text. Each figure must be labeled, include a short title, and brief legend. All abbreviations should be defined. Acceptable file formats for figures include TIFF, EPS, and JPEG, and PDF Microsoft Application Files are acceptable for vector art (line art). Figures must be at least 300 dpi for good print quality. This will permit minor revisions to be made in press without the need for authors to remake figures.

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All randomized clinical trials must include a CONSORT flow diagram of subject progress through the phases of the trial, as well as meet the CONSORT checklist of items to be included when reporting a randomized trial. ([http://www.consort-statement.org/](http://www.consort-statement.org/))

### 5.4 Title Page

The title page should include the following:

1. the title of the article;
2. the names, highest degrees, and full affiliations of all authors;
3. the name, mailing address, email address, and telephone number of the corresponding author to whom proofs and reprint requests should be addressed;
4. word count of the text and the number of figures and tables in the article; and
5. a running title that should not exceed 42 letters and spaces, in the upper right corner

### 5.5 Organization of Text

**Abstract:** Abstracts may contain up to 250 words and structured with the following subheadings: Background, Objective, Methods, Results, Conclusions. Do not simply repeat the Results in the Conclusions – state what was learned and what needs to be done next.

**Key Words:** Up to 6 key words or terms from MeSH terms in PubMed should be included for use by referencing sources. If you wish to have your paper cited, choose the best terms. [http://www.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/MBrowser.html](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/MBrowser.html)
Headings in the text should appear as follows in bold and italics (please use subheadings as needed): Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion, and Conclusions/Implications (if not repeating what has been stated).

The Introduction should briefly explain why you have undertaken the study/review. Explain how the study addresses an important problem. What is novel, what is incremental? State your objectives and the hypotheses that are to be tested. Use only the most critical and best studies as references.

The Methods should define the participants, how and why they were chosen, the tools you used, and their reliability and validity for your population, and how you examined your hypotheses. Include how the sample size was determined and how randomization was performed, when applicable. State your primary and secondary outcome measurements and why you chose these. Explain how blinding was carried out, when applicable. Justify your statistical methods for primary and secondary analyses. When relevant, the Methods must include a statement that the project was approved by an authorized institutional human research review board or institutional animal research authority.

The Results should include recruitment, baseline data, the number of participants that were in each analysis, the pre-specified statistical comparisons between groups before the analyses of pre- vs post-test results within groups, corrections for multiple comparisons, and adverse events.

The Discussion should interpret the Results, including adjusted analyses, within the hypotheses and potential biases and confounders of the Methods. What is the generalizability of the data? The rationale and significance of the reported research should be explained in terms of its relevance to recovery of neurologic function.

Implications or Conclusions may be added. Latitude to briefly consider the clinical implications of basic research findings is permitted here. Clinical researchers may use this section to suggest what clinical and basic science advances are needed to move the clinical research forward toward value for patients.

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5.6 References

Please note the reference limits in the Article Types section above. Neurorehabilitation and
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5.8 English Language Editing Services

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6. SUBMITTING YOUR MANUSCRIPT

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Please ensure that you submit editable source files only. The main text should be in Microsoft Word or RTF, the tables as separate Word files, and the figures as separate EPS, JPEG or TIF files. Please ensure that your document does not include page numbers or line numbers; the Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair SAGE track system will generate them for you, and then automatically convert your manuscript to PDF for peer review. All correspondence, including notification of the Editor’s decision and requests for revisions, will be by email.
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If you seek advice on the submission process please contact the journal administrator at the following email address: nnr@kumc.edu

6.4 Submitting a Revision

After review, the editors may invite submission of a revised manuscript. To create a revision, go to the ‘Manuscripts with Decisions’ option in your Author Dashboard and select ‘create a revision’ in the ‘Action’ column.

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